

# **Cal OES Daily Situation Report**

**December 19, 2013** 

# National Terrorism Advisory System

## **Current Alerts**

There are no current alerts

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\* Maps can be viewed in the attachment.

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## I. OPEN DISASTERS/EMERGENCIES:

# II. WEATHER:

### **WEATHER:**

## Week-Ahead Weather Highlights 12/19/13 - 12/25/13

# Thursday-Friday AM

- \* Light to moderate precipitation (with snow above 6000ft) along the Sierra and across Southern CA especially far Southwest California
- \* Strong and gusty winds both valley and mountain locations

## Friday PM-Sunday

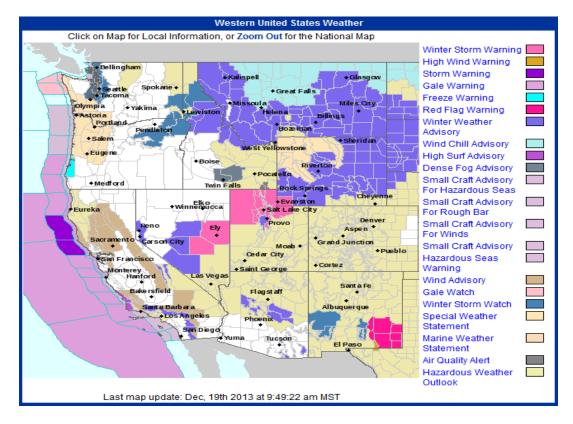
- \* No significant hazards expected
- \* Continued Central Valley air quality issues
- \* Cool weather pattern

## Monday-Wednesday

- \* No significant hazards expected
- \* Continued Central Valley air quality issues
- \* Warming trend to ensue through the period

# California OES Impact Threat Matrix Dec 19, 2013 Dec 25, 2013 DAY/THREAT THU FRI SUN WED SAT MON TUE Fire Weather Winds Mtns & Valleys Extreme Cold Sierra & Snow Srn CA Mtns Heavy Rain/ Flash Flooding River Flooding **High Threat** Moderate Threat Slight Threat No Discernible Threat

# **State Weather Map**



### III. FIRES:

## **Overall Fire Risk:**

#### Northern California

Dead fuels of all size classes continue to be much drier than normal. Live fuels (brush) remain in a dry, dormant early fall level as well. The entire region is now in various stages of long term drought with "Severe" to locally "Extreme" drought conditions covering most of Northern California as the past 12 months have produced record low rainfall totals in many areas. See link below. <a href="http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?CA">http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?CA</a> Snow cover is sparse and well below normal for the 3rd week of December as well, so fuels in many mid-upper elevations remain exposed. Under these fuel conditions, in lower elevation brush, any significant dry wind event (gusts over 50 mph with Relative Humidity (RH) >35%) will elevate the chances of getting ignitions and large fire due to winds being strong enough to disrupt power lines, and able to rapidly spread fires across dead and dormant fuels.

### **Southern California**

There will be little or no fire activity across the region through the forecast period.

## **Preparedness Levels:**

## National Preparedness Level 1

## **Northern California**

Preparedness Level 1 Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

## **Southern California**

Preparedness Level 2 Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

## **Statewide Fire Map**



## IV. SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY:

Northern California: NSTR

# **Southern California:**

# **Pfeiffer Incident, Monterey County – FRA**

The Pfeiffer Incident began burning on 12/16/13 at 0010 hours near Highway 1 and Pfeiffer Ridge Road, Big Sur

Per Cal FIRE, Cal OES Duty Officers and ICS-209 on 12/19/2013 at 0600 hours:

### Fire Information

- \* Size: Size: 917 acres (+74), 79% contained (+5)
- \* Moderate rate of spread
- \* Estimated Containment Date: 12/20/2013
- \* Burning actively near the community of Pfeiffer Ridge
- \* Structures Threatened: 200 residences (no change), 20 commercial properties (no change), and 20 outbuildings (no change)
- \* Structures Destroyed: 22 Structures including 14 (+1) Residences.
- \* Type II Team (IC Mark Nunez)
- \* Local Government Resources: 1 Single Resource Hand Crew, 3 Engine Strike Teams, 1 Single Resource Engine, and 1 Water Tender are assigned at this time. The 3 Engine Strike Teams are scheduled for demobilization this morning, 12/19/13.
- \* Cal OES Resources: 1 Engine Strike Team is assigned and scheduled for demobilization this morning, 12/19/13.
- \* Total personnel assigned: 1,007 (+128)
- \* 2 Cal OES Fire Assistant Chiefs are assigned to the incident.
- \* FMAG (Fire Management Assistance Grant Application) submitted on 12/16/13 at 1249 hours by Cal FIRE. The FMAG has been reviewed by Cal OES, did not meet FMAG criteria and has been placed on hold at this time.

### **Evacuations/Shelters**

- \* Mandatory evacuations (not physically forcing residents to leave) of approximately 100 residences through the use of reverse 911 (between 150-200 residents evacuated).
- \* Less than 100 people have been issued an "Evacuation Watch" in the Pius Ridge Road/Sycamore Flat areas.
- \* An evacuation plan has been developed for Pius Ridge and Rancho Rico in the event that winds should shift.
- \* American Red Cross (ARC) has provided two mobile units, which are stationed in the affected area providing information and services.
- \* ARC has permanently closed the Fernwood Resort location and will continue reception services at the ARC office in Carmel, Monterey County located at corner of 8th and Deloris.
- \* There is a hotline number established for information to the public at (831) 320-9989.
- \* Monterey County Sheriff's department doing evacuations and point protection where appropriate due to fire behavior and limited resources and estimates that 150-200 residents have been evacuated at this time.

### **Access and Functional Needs**

\* At risk populations are being tracked by Monterey County DSS with no issues reported.

# **School Closures**

\* Carmel Unified School District: Captain Cooper School and Apple Pie Preschool have shut down and may remain closed through remainder of week. This was a voluntary decision by the schools.

### **Road Impacts**

\* Pfeiffer Ridge, River Inn, Sycamore Canyon Roads remain closed. Per ENTAC: As of 1600 hours on 12/18/13, all lanes of Hwy 1 are open.

#### Infrastructure

- \* The Pfeiffer Repeater in Monterey County has been impacted. State Parks is the only user of this repeater. Per State Parks Northern Command (NORCOM), the repeater is down. All State Parks officers have evacuated the area. NORCOM and officers are using alternate repeaters (Big Sur and Tin House) and cell phones to communicate. Public Safety Communications Office (PSCO) has opened a trouble ticket and will repair the unit once the fire around the Pfeiffer repeater is contained. \* On 12/18/13 two Public Safety Communications (PSC) technicians and one trainee have been deployed to the Pfeiffer Incident.
- \* Per the California Utilities Emergency Association (CUEA): There is no impact to the California State Power Grid. Currently 106 customers are out of service primarily in the evacuated area. There are 13 strands of power cable across the canyon that are burned and will need to be replaced. PG&E crews are now allowed in the fire zone to do repairs and assessments. On 12/19/13, CUEA advised that the AT&T cell towers are fully operational.

### **EOC Activations**

- \* Monterey County EOC and Cal OES Coastal REOC will activate from 0700 1900 hours today.
- \* Cal OES Coastal Region ESC Catrina Christian will be at the EOC.

## **Proclamation**

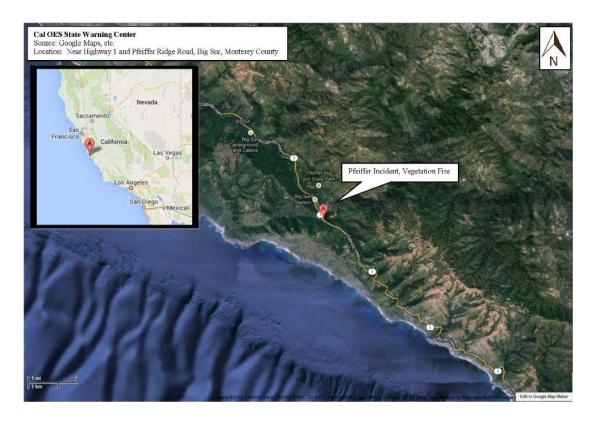
\* Proclamation from Monterey County has been received at Cal OES on 12/17/2013 declaring a Local Emergency and requesting a copy of this proclamation be forwarded to the Governor of California to proclaim a State of Emergency and request a Presidential Declaration.

### **Initial Damage Estimates:**

County Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA) teams were assembled to tour burned areas today. Team consists of County Building Dept., Dept. of Health and fire personnel (4-teams). Teams were unable to gain access and will attempt to gain entry tomorrow 12/19 to gather further assessment of homes and structures destroyed/damaged.

### **Environmental Impacts**

\* Air Quality: Local Air Board reports no issues at this time, but has positioned an air monitor at the Ferndale Hotel.



## **CAL OES MISSIONS:**

**New Missions: NSTR** 

### **Ongoing Missions:**

**2013-LAW-1797** 12/18/13, 1520 hours, Butte County Sheriff's Department advised that no additional clues were discovered today and that they will be scheduling another search with side can sonar equipment within the next 10 days. On 12/11/2013, at 1520 hours, Butte County S.O. requested a dive team and underwater Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) with capability to search Lake Oroville at depths down to 300 feet. Human Remains Detection (HRD) K-9's are also being requested in support of this mission to search land area's around two bridges.

**2013-FIRE-1787** 12/10/13, 1551 hours, Glendale Fire Department requested California National Guard 9<sup>th</sup> Civil Support Team to support Rose Bowl Parade Activities on January 1 and 2.

**2013-Southern-1468** Cal Trans/State Parks, Crystal Cove Slope Repair, Orange County. Per Cal Trans, the majority of the work has been completed, but there is still some minor work that needs to be done. The roadway is currently back open with no lane closures or travel restrictions. Caltrans is coordinating with CA State Parks and the project will be completed either on Friday, December 20 or Monday, December 23.

**Closed Missions: NSTR** 

## **EMAC Colorado**

### 2013-SOC-1459

One (1) Public Assistance Crew Leader from Cal OES Recovery remains deployed to Colorado. Public Assistance personnel are paired with FEMA Crews to provide assistance to communities impacted by the flood. California approved the extension of Richard Green until 12/21/2013.

\* Richard Green, Disaster Assistance Program Specialist

### 2013-SOC-1417

Four (4) Public Assistance staff from Cal OES Recovery were deployed to Colorado beginning, 10/28/2013 and ending 12/2/13. Public Assistance personnel are paired with FEMA Crews for communities declared in the disaster. Colorado requested and California approved the extension of all team members until 12/21/2013.

- \* Donald Cardenas, Public Assistance Crew Leaders
- \* Robert Larsen, Public Assistance Crew Leaders
- \* Glenn Cadman, Public Assistance Crew Leaders
- \* Clyde Muraoka, Public Assistance Crew Leaders

### V. AGENCY/DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

### **Rim Fire Declaration, Tuolumne County**

On December 13, 2013, FEMA declared a major disaster (FEMA-4158-DR-CA) as a result of the Rim Fire. The major disaster provides Public Assistance funding for the activities and affected infrastructure in Tuolumne County for the incident period identified as August 17 through October 24, 2013, and hazard mitigation statewide. An Applicants Briefing is scheduled for Friday, December 20, at the Tuolumne County EOC, 18440 Striker Ct., Sonora, CA 95370 to advise the applicants participating in the federal Public Assistance program.

## VI. UPCOMING EVENTS, TRAINING, EXERCISES: NSTR

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